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What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?: 7.2.3 Neighbourhood Bikeways 30km/hr Speed Limit Policy

Comments:

To the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation,

I am writing in support of the report recommendation to approve a policy for all neighbourhood bikeways in Saskatoon to have a posted speed limit of 30 km/h.

As a bike rider, I know that a lower speed limit on bikeways would increase safety, reduce accidents, near misses, injuries, and create a more welcoming environment for all users.

The existing bikeways are not safe or welcoming enough. I do not experience a difference between driver behaviour on bikeways compared to other streets. I have been harassed, threatened, and put in danger by drivers both intentionally and unintentionally on the current bikeways. Even though I am a confident bike rider, even I do not find the bikeways safe enough to ride them with my child nor safe enough to recommend the bikeways to new bike riders. The existing bikeway infrastructure and speed limits do not provide an all ages facility. Reduced speed limits would be a cheapest way to improve the conditions for bike riders on bikeways.

I strongly encourage this committee to forward this recommendation to City Council. It is a low-investment decision with very high returns.

Thank you for your consideration,

Kevin Dunbar Ward 9